\*Sung Response

"Great God of Every Blessing" No. 694 (vs. 1)
Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care,
You are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you? our praise is but a start:
Sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

**Prayer of Consecration** 

The Lord be with you;

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

Distribution of the Elements

recommitment to the mission of \*Song

"I Will Come to You"

No. 177

\*Sending

Brothers and sisters, as the Church of Jesus Christ, go from this place...

Knowing Christ, growing in God's love, and serving as the Holy Spirit leads.

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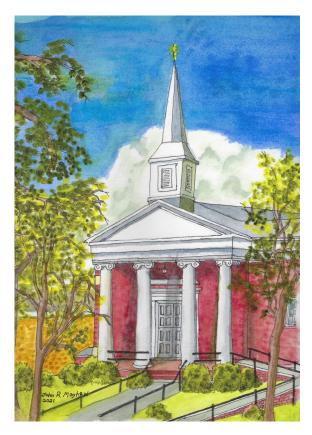
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## CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, March 6, 2022 10:30 AM





### Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Welcome and Announcements

"Forty Days and Forty Nights" Martin Herbst Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 147:1-5

Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God;

For it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem;

he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

\*Song "Let There Be Praise" LUYH No. 41

\*Song "Center of My Life" LUYH No. 99

LUYH No. 49 \*Song "Mighty Is Our God"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

As Lent unfolds before us, great God, we see how far we have to go. The road is long, our sins are many, and our burdens are heavy. We can't imagine new life, Resurrection life, because our current lives are filled with bad choices and failed efforts. Meet us in our weakness. Forgive our sins. Ease our burdens. Carry us on the way. Lead us to new life in You.

**Silent Confession** 

Assurance of Pardon...

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel,

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

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Confessing our sins brings us to a place of humility, allowing us to hear God more clearly as we worship.

\*Sung Response to Confession

"Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God" No. 423 (vs. 1)

Create in me a clean heart, O God; Create in me a clean heart, O God; Create in me a clean heart, O God.

And renew a right spirit within me.

Children's Moment

Garth Stevens-Jennings

Special Music

"Find Our Way Home"

Jan McGuire Patti Drennan

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**Glory Singers** 

Sung Call to Prayer

"More Love to Thee, O Christ" No. 828 (vs. 1)

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee. This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee: More love to thee, more love to thee!

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us

this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the king-

dom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

"We Gather Here in Jesus' Name" \*Song

No. 510

Scripture 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 p. 1146

"Old and New" Message

Pastor John

Musical Offering "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

arr. Carol Tornquist (© 1995 ThankYouMusic)

Presentation of our Gifts and Offerings

God hears our prayer.

The congregation responds in

song because

Prayer in worship connect us to God and to one another.

The musical offering allows us time to reflect on all that God has given us

> Offering is our response to all tĥat God has given us!

"Find Our Way Home" (today's special music)

We are born into a fallen world, turned away from our Creator's face. Wandering far from our eternal home, we're in need of love's redeeming grace.

Mercy meets us in our wilderness, reaches out a hand to every stray.

Then, as lambs who hear the Shepherd's call, we will follow Jesus all the way.

Refrain....

When we follow the Shepherd, we are never alone.
For with Jesus, our Shepherd, we will find our way,
find our way home.
Follow, follow the Shepherd.
We will never be alone, for with Jesus as our Shepherd,
we will find our way, find our way home.

Storms may come to us along the way, but we listen to the Shepherd's voice. We find Jesus even in the storms, so our weary hearts can still rejoice.

Refrain.....

### **Tools for a Growing Faith**

All are welcome to join us for this six-week study during Lent. Each week will focus on a different topic that is integral to personal discipleship and spiritual growth. This series will be led by Pastor John and Garth Stevens-Jennings. Participants are welcome to attend one, several, or all of the meetings. While the whole series will be of benefit to all who attend, if there are one or two topics that stand out, it is fine to attend only those weeks.

We will meet in the church parlor on Saturdays at 10am.

march 12	Scripture
March 19	<b>Prayer and Fasting</b>
March 26	Study, meditation, solitude
April 2	<b>Spiritual Gifts and Service</b>
April 9	<b>Sharing Our Faith</b>

Questions? Email Pastor John at <u>jbethard@ctpres.org</u>, or Garth at garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org. We will follow the most recent pandemic guidelines adopted by the session.

# Today's Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. <sup>13</sup>We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. <sup>14</sup> But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup> Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. <sup>16</sup> But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

4 Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

### **NOTES:**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Warmly Welcome Visitors in the name of our Lord. We invite you to tell us more about yourself by filling out a visitor's card, and placing it in the offering plate located in the narthex.

Community Prayer Service this afternoon at 4pm. CTPC will be hosting a community prayer service led by several pastors in our community. With so much division in our churches and in the world, we felt it necessary to come together to intentionally pray. It will be a simple service: music, prayer, music. The prayer section will be led by different pastors praying for different topics. In a world with so much division, a joint witness to our unity in Christ is needed more than ever. I hope you can join us.

Kid's Group today Sunday, March 6th, 5-7:00pm—Movie Night. Come to the upstairs youth room for popcorn, snacks, and a viewing of The Hunchback of Notre Dame, a Disney classic chock full of Christian themes and imagery, with great lessons on justice and what it means to be a good Christian. Questions see Garth Stevens-Jennings or email at garthstevensiennings@ctpres.org.

The session is looking for a treasurer. Duties include: attending quarterly Joint Finance Team Meetings, ensuring all bookkeeping procedures are being followed, presenting quarterly reports to the Joint Finance Team, and ensuring the annual financial review is completed and presented to Session. This person should be versed in financial practice and able to commit to the tasks outlined above. Interested persons are welcome to contact the chair of the finance committee, Kathy Donadio, at feebler8@gmail.com.

The Congregational Nominating Committee has begun work on securing nominees for elders, deacons, trustees, and at-large members for next year's nominating committee. If you have suggestions for persons the CNC might consider, please be sure to speak with Sue Flanagan, Hoyle Fulbright, Diane Mayhew, David Weil or Patsy White.

Memorial or Honorarium Lilies. Lilies are available this year to be placed in the sanctuary on Resurrection Sunday, April 17th. Please call or email the church office (304-725-5316 or ctpres@ctpres.org) by Wednesday, March 30th, to place an order. Cost is \$15. Pet owners, please be advised that lilies are toxic to our pets when ingested. Please take necessary precaution.

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Charles Town Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, March 8, 2022. A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered: Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque), Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA), Atrial Fibrillation, Osteoporosis Risk. An ultrasound is performed to measure the shin bone for abnormal bone mass density. This can help assess the risk of osteoporosis, a disease where bones become weak and brittle. These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$139 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. Informational flyers located in the narthex and bulletin boards, Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441, text the word "circle" to 797979 or online at https://llsa.social/HSC.

Sermon Passages: March 13th: Philippians 3:17-4:1; March 20th: Luke 13:1-9, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; March 27th: Psalm 32; April 3rd: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21.

Please consider the following daily scripture readings this week: Monday: Numbers 31-33; Psalms 37:1-22; Tuesday: Numbers 34-36; Psalms 37:23-40; Wednesday: Galatians 1-3; Psalms 38; Thursday: Galatians 4-6; Psalms 39; Friday: Deuteronomy 1-4; Psalms 40; Saturday: Deuteronomy 5-7; Psalms 41; Sunday: Deuteronomy 8-10; Psalms

The flower chart for 2022 is available for sign up. It is located on the bulletin board by the church office or call at 304-725-5316. If you would like to donate your flowers for the deacons to deliver to a shut-in or someone in the hospital, please call the church office.

For those who wish to continue with the Bible reading plan in 2022, you can access or download the document here This plan is a little different than the 2021 plan. The 2021 plan had only five readings per week, and we were able to finish the entire New Testament. The 2022 plan has two readings every day, and they are a little longer, but we will read through the whole Bible in a year. If you read through the 2021 plan, it is okay to use this plan but skip the New Testament readings. These are the readings from which Pastor John will do his daily devotions each morning on the church Facebook page.

Online giving helps you to bring your offering before God. In addition to the no-fee Facebook donations and nominal fee Paypal service, we set up online giving through the Presbyterian Foundation. Money donated via any of these services gets deposited to our church bank account. By going through the Foundation, the fee they charge actually helps the mission of their organization, which is to help Presbyterian churches to be excellent stewards of their gifts and resources. The exciting part about working with the foundation is that we are able to use a mobile app that is connected to our account. The app is called Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement on the Google Play or Apple App Store. You can set up for weekly, monthly or one time giving! Note: If you were previously using the "Give Plus" app, that has been superseded by the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement as of January 31, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you. For electronic giving, please scan here:

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Jenna Hardy

Prayer Concerns: U.S. troops serving worldwide. Please continue to pray for those who are sick. Missionaries supported by CTPC: Drake Williams, Mark Hare in Haiti, Michael & Cathy Sander in Eswatini. Please keep these faithful servants in prayer. Those persons admitted to the hospital or nursing home seeking a visit from Pastor John must have a family member make contact with the church office. HIPAA law prohibits hospitals from divulging their patient roster.

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934. Sunday's Receipts: \$4,140; Special Offerings: Sunday School—\$31: Hunger—\$49: Fellowship Roof—\$1,300.

<u>Last Sunday Worship</u>: In-person –59; Nursery–1; Virtual Views-90

**Ushers for March:** Anne Portrey, Tommy Morgan **Ushers for April:** Judy Edwards, Debra Low

## The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

### Sunday, March 6

Education Hour (all ages) 9:00am 10:30am Worship Celebration **Community Prayer Service** 4:00pm Kids' Group Movie Night 5-7:00pm

### Monday, March 7

5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri) Meals on Wheels board meeting 1:00pm 7:00pm Stewardship & Vision Meeting

A.A. Meeting 7:30 pm

### Tuesday, March 8

8-5:00pm Life Line Screening Deacons Meeting 7:00pm

### Wednesday, March 9

12:30pm Legato Ringers Geneva Ringers 6:30pm CAV Meeting 7:00pm Glory Singers 7:30pm

### Thursday, March 10

WW Workshop 8:30am WW Workshop 10:00am Friendship Ministry Meal 5:30pm

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### Saturday, March 12

10:00am Tools for a Growing Faith Friendship Ministry Meal 5:30pm

8:00pm A.A. Meeting

### Sunday, March 13

9:00am Education Hour (all ages) 10:30am Worship Celebration